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On the 16th instant, the report that bubonic plague had broken out in Atacama was confirmed.

On the same date there was reported an epidemic of variola in Puerto Montt, with many fatal cases.

On the 17th a dispatch from Santiago states that the French legation has called the attention of the Government of Chile to the absolute and pressing necessity for taking strong measures which will prevent the spread of bubonic plague from the foci already infected, and in which the disease is making many victims.

On the same date there was a report of bubonic plague from Coquimbo, where a number of cases had been verified.

On the 18th instant a dispatch from Santiago stated that notices received from the interior are to the effect that the plague had abated in Pisagua, and in some other localities—not named—where it had been previously reported as present.

On the same date a dispatch from Santiago stated that the Chilean Government had ordered from Europe a supply of antipest serum in value to the amount of 5,000 francs.

A dispatch of date of the 20th instant from Santiago states that certain cases of bubonic plague had been verified in the city of Valparaiso.

A dispatch of date of the 21st instant states that the inhabitants of Valparaiso are much alarmed at the reports of the occurrence of bubonic plague in that city. The Government has ordered the adoption of measures in order to prevent the spread of the disease.

#### *Bubonic plague in Argentine Republic.*

Considerable excitement has been caused in Buenos Ayres by the announcement on the 18th instant of the importation of a case of yellow fever into that city from the British steamship *Malbridge*, coming from this city, Rio de Janeiro, on the 12th instant. After thorough investigation the case was pronounced not to be yellow fever.

Dispatches of date of the 20th instant report the outbreak of bubonic plague in San Nicolas. On the previous day there had been 3 suspected cases of this disease. Later the disease was officially verified as being present. Up to that time there had been 3 deaths from the disease, and all ill with plague had been removed to hospitals of isolation.

#### *Aphthous fever in Argentina.*

A dispatch of date of the 15th instant states that this disease has appeared in epidemic form in the province of Santa Fe.

#### *Mortuary reports from the State of São Paulo.*

*São Paulo* (capital).—Population, about 230,000. For week ended February 26, 1905. Total deaths, 90, not including stillbirths, of which there were 10. Natives, 63; foreigners, 27. Causes of death: Measles, 4; whooping cough, 2; enteric fever, 2; dysentery, 2; pulmonary tuberculosis, 6; cancer, 1; other general diseases, 1; diseases of the nervous system, 4; of the circulatory system, 18; of the respiratory system, 8; of the digestive system, 21; of the urinary system,